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HIS Majesty came this Day to the House of Peers, and being in his Royal Robes, seated on the Throne with the usual Solemnity, Sir Charles Dalton, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, was sent with a Message from His Majesty to the House of Commons, commanding their Attendance in the House of Peers; the Commons being come thither accordingly, His Majesty was pleased to make the following most gracious Speech.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

THE War, which is now begun, and carried on against the Emperor, with so much Vigour, by the united Powers of France, Spain, and Sardinia, is become the Object of the Care and Attention of all Europe; and though I am no ways engaged in it, and have had no Part, except by My good Offices, in those Transactions, which have been declared to be the principal Causes and Motives of it, I cannot sit regardless of the present Events, or be unconcerned for the future Consequences of a War, undertaken and supported by so powerful an Alliance.

If ever any Occasion required more than ordinary Prudence and Circumspection, the present calls upon Us to use Our utmost Precaution, not to determine too hastily upon so critical and important a Conjuncture, but to consider thoroughly what the Honour and Dignity of My Crown and Kingdoms, the true Interest of My People, and the Engagements We are under to the several Powers We are in Alliance with, may in Justice and Prudence require of Us.

I have therefore thought it proper to take Time to examine the Facts alledged on both Sides, and to wait the Result of the Councils of those Powers, that are more nearly and immediately interested in the Consequences of the War, and to concert with those Allies, who are under the same Engagements with Me, and have not taken Part in the War (more particularly the States General of the United Provinces) such Measures as shall be thought most adviseable for Our common Safety, and for restoring the Peace of Europe.

The Resolutions of the British Parliament, in so nice a Juncture, are of too great Moment not to be carefully attended to, and impatiently expected, by all, and not least by those, who will hope to take Advantage from your Determinations, whatever they shall be, and to turn them to the Prejudice of this Kingdom. It must therefore be thought most safe and prudent, thoroughly to weigh and consider all Circumstances, before we come to a final Determination.

As I shall have, in all My Considerations upon this great and important Affair, the strictest Regard to the Honour of My Crown, and the Good of My People, and be governed by no other Views, I can make no doubt, but that I may entirely depend on the Support and Assistance of my Parliament, without exposing Myself, by any precipitate Declarations, to such Inconveniences, as ought, as far as possible, to be avoided.

In the mean time, I am persuaded, you will make such Provisions, as shall secure My Kingdoms, Rights, and Possessions, from all Dangers and Insults, and maintain the Respect due to the British Nation: Whatever Part it may, in the End, be most reasonable for Us to act, it will, in all Views, be necessary, when all Europe is preparing for Arms, to put Ourselves in a proper Posture of Defence. As this will best preserve the Peace of the Kingdom, so it will give Us a due Weight and Influence in whatever Measures We shall take in Conjunction with Our Allies: But should the Defence of the Nation not be sufficiently provided for, it will make Us disregarded Abroad, and may prove a Temptation and Encouragement to the desperate Views of those, who never fail to flatter themselves with the Hopes of great Advantages from publick Troubles and Disorders.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I shall order the Estimates to be laid before you of such Services, as require your present and immediate Care. The Augmentation, which will be proposed for the Sea Service, will

will be very conſiderable; but I am confident it will be thought by you reaſonable and neceſſary. I muſt particularly recommend to your Care the Debt of the Navy, which has every Year been laid before you; but, from the preſent Circumſtances of the Times, I believe you will think it now requires ſome Proviſion to be made for it, which cannot well be longer poſtponed, without manifeſt Detriment to the publick Service.

As theſe extraordinary Charges and Expences are unavoidable, I make no Doubt, but you will effectually raiſe the Supplies neceſſary for defraying of them, with that Readineſs and Diſpatch, and with that juſt Regard to the true Intereſt of My People, which this Parliament has hitherto ſhewn upon all Occaſions.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

It is at all Times to be wiſhed, that the Buſineſs of Parliament might be carried on free from Heats and Animoſities, and with that Temper, which becomes the Juſtice and Wiſdom of the Nation: At this Time it is more particularly to be deſired, that this Seſſion may not be protracted by unneceſſary Delays, when the whole Kingdom ſeems prepared for the Election of a new Parliament; an Event which imploys the Attention of all Europe. And I am very well pleaſed, that this Opportunity offers of taking again the Senſe of my People in the Choice of a new Repreſentative, that the World may ſee how much their true Sentiments have been miſtaken or miſrepreſented; thoſe who ſee and hear only at a Diſtance, may eaſily be impoſed upon, and from thence conceive falſe Hopes or Fears; but I am confident a little Time will effectually remove all groundleſs Surmiſes, and it will be found, that Great Britain is always ready to act that Part, which the Honour and Intereſt of the Nation calls upon them to undertake.

AT the Court at St. *James's*, the 16th Day of *January*, 1733.

PRESENT,

The King's moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

His Majeſty in Council was this Day pleaſed to appoint the following Sheriffs, *viz.*

Derby, George Mower, *Eſq*;
Oxon, Francis Heywood, *Eſq*;

LENT Preachers appointed to preach before His Majeſty for the Year 1733-4.

Feb. 27.	Aſh-Wedneſday,	Dean of the Chapel, Lord Biſhop of London.
March 1.	Friday,	Dr. Osbaldiſton, Dean of York.
	3. Sunday,	Ld. Bp. of Oxford.
	6. Wedneſday,	Dr. Alured Clarke.
	8. Friday,	Dr. Lockyer, Dean of Peterborough.
	10. Sunday,	Lord Biſhop of Chicheſter.
	13. Wedneſday,	Mr. Chamberlain.
	15. Friday,	Dr. Herring, Dean of Rocheſter.
	17. Sunday,	Lord Biſhop of Cheſter.
	20. Wedneſday,	Dr. Secker.
	22. Friday,	Dr. Conybeare, Dean of Chriſt-Church.
	24. Sunday,	Lord Biſhop of Briſtol.
	27. Wedneſday,	Dr. Benſon.
	29. Friday,	Dr. Allix, Dean of Ely.
	31. Sunday,	Lord Biſhop of St. Davids.
April	3. Wedneſday,	Dr. Pearce.
	5. Friday,	Dr. Clarke, Dean of Sarum.
	7. Palm-Sunday,	Lord Biſhop of Durham.
	10. Wedneſday,	Dr. Mawſon.
	12. Good-Friday,	Dean of Weſtminſter, Ld. Bp. of Rocheſter.
	14. Eaſter-Day,	Lord Almoner, Ld. A. Bp. of York.

GRAFTON.

LENT Preachers appointed to preach at His Majeſty's Chapel at Whitehall, on Wedneſdays and Fridays, for the Year 1733-4.

Feb. 27.	Aſh-Wedneſday,	Dr. Baron, Dean of Norwich.
March 1.	Friday,	Dr. Cobden.
	6. Wedneſday,	Mr. Bernard.
	8. Friday,	Dr. Lovell.
	13. Wedneſday,	Dr. Crow.
	15. Friday,	Dr. Stebbing.
	20. Wedneſday,	Dr. Cowper.
	22. Friday,	Dr. Thomas.
	27. Wedneſday,	Dr. Thiſtlewaite.
	29. Friday,	Dr. Heylin.
April	3. Wedneſday,	Dr. Day.
	5. Friday,	Dr. Foulkes.
	10. Wedneſday,	Dr. Lavington.
	12. Good-Friday,	Dr. Gilbert, Dean of Exeter.

GRAFTON.

Attendance is daily given at Stationers-Hall, Ludgate-Street, *for the Delivery to Subſcribers of the new Edition of* THUANUS *in* Latin, *in Seven Volumes in Folio, from Nine in the Morning till Twelve, and from Two in the Afternoon till Five.*

Advertiſements.

THE joynt Creditors of Joſeph Baker and John Nutt, late of London, Merchants and Copartners, are deſired to meet on Monday the 21ſt of this Inſtant January, at Six in the Evening, at Lloyd's Coffee houſe in Lombard-ſtreet, to conſider of, and conſent to the commencing a Suit or Suits in Equity for Recovery of their joynt Debts, and for other ſpecial Affairs.

TO

TO be Sold to the beſt Bidder, by the Aſſignees under a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt John Payne, of New Brentford in the County of Middleſex, Baker, on Wedneſday the 6th of February next, at Ten in the Forenoon, at the Mitre Tavern in New Brentford aforeſaid, the Real Eſtate of the ſaid Bankrupt, conſiſting of two Freehold Houſes ſituate in New Brentford, one of them being a new-built Brick Houſe, with a Bake-houſe thereto belonging, late in the Occupation of the ſaid Bankrupt, of the Yearly Value of 20 l. and the other Houſe, being adjoyning thereto, and of the Yearly Value of 12 l. and alſo one undivided fourth Part of a Freehold Meſſuage, Barn and Outhouſes, and 40 Acres of Land thereto belonging, ſituate and lying at or near Little Ealing in the ſaid County of Middleſex, of the Yearly Value of 80 l. 10 s. Particulars whereof may be had of Mr. Bicknell, at his Chambers, No. 3 in Tanfield Court in the Inner-Temple, London, or at his Houſe at Brentford aforeſaid.

TO be Sold peremptorily, purſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, before Anthony Allen, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Houſe in Curſitors-ſtreet, Chancery-lane, on Monday the 11th Day of February next, between the Hours of Ten and Twelve of the Clock in the Forenoon, the Reverſion of the Manor or Lordſhip and Farm of Winterborne Dancey in the County of Wilts, of the Yearly Value of 20 l. and upwards, late the Eſtate of Jonathan Hill, Eſq; deceaſed. Particulars whereof may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Houſe.

TO be peremptorily Sold to the beſt Bidder, in Purſuance of an Order of the High Court of Chancery, before Robert Holford, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Symonds Inn, on Wedneſday the 13th Day of February next, at Five of the Clock in the Afternoon, the Office of Chief Clerk to attend the Supreme Court reſiding at the Town of St. Jago de la Vaga in Jamaica, for the Life of the preſent Patentee. Particulars may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Chambers in Symons-Inn in Chancery-lane.

TO be Sold to the beſt Bidder, before the Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt John Smith, late of Petworth in the County of Suſſex, Mercer, on Thurſday the 7th of February next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, a good Dwelling-houſe in Little Penny Street, Portſmouth, and a Brewhouſe adjoyning thereto, of the Yearly Rent of 11 l. 10 s. late the Eſtate of the ſaid John Smith. Particulars may be had of Mr. Haſted, Attorney, in Dove-court, Lombard-ſtreet.

NOtice is hereby given, that in purſuance of an Order of the Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor, bearing Date the 22d Day of December laſt, the Commiſſioners named in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt William Lowfield, late of St Paul's Church-yard, London, Hoſier and Glover, intend to meet on the Firſt Day of February next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; at which Time and Place the Creditors are to proceed to a new Choice of an Aſſignee or Aſſignees of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate.

THis is to give Notice, that the Meeting of the Commiſſioners named in the Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt Meſſ. Richard Woodward and Thomas Woodward, late of Exchange-Alley, London, Goldſmiths and Bankers, and Partners, which was advertiſed in this Paper to be at Guildhall on the 23d Inſtant, is adjourned to Friday the 22d of February next; when the ſaid Commiſſioners will meet at Guildhall, London, at Three in the Afternoon, and will then declare a Third Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate; and ſuch of the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts under the ſaid Commiſſion, may then attend to prove the ſame.

TO be peremptolily Sold to the beſt Bidder, on Thurſday the 28th Day of February next, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, by the Committee of the Charitable Corporation, at their Houſe in Spring-Garden, Weſtminſter (with the Conſent of the Aſſignees) the ſeveral Freehold Eſtates late of George Robinſon, ſituate at Moor-place, near Great Marlow, lying in the Counties of Bucks and Oxon, conſiſting of a capital Manſion-houſe, with Gardens, Orchard, Coach-houſes, Stabling, Barns, Granaries, and all convenient Outhouſes, fit for a Gentleman; and alſo a Farm-houſe, with all convenient Outhouſes, and about 300 Acres of Land: All theſe Buildings in exceeding good Repair: And alſo about 230 Acres of Wood Lands that lye interſperſed with the Farm Lands; and divers othe Buildings and Cottages at Lewknor near Great Marlow: The Whole an imp oveable Eſtate. It will be put up at 5000 l. Particulars, with the Conditions of Sale, to be had at the Charitable Corporation Houſe in Spring-Garden, Weſtminſter, or at Mr. Newland's, in Nagshead Court, Gracechurch-ſtreet.

THE Aſſignees of John Falconer, late of George-lane, near Botolph-lane, London, Merchant, choſen under a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt him, deſire the Creditors of the ſaid Bankrupt to meet them on Wedneſday next, being the 23d Day of January Inſtant, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon, at Janeway's Coffee-houſe in Cornhill, London, to conſider of and conſent to the Aſſignees commencing one or more Suits in Equity, touching and concerning the Bankrupt's Eſtate.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded againſt John Hall, of the Pariſh of St. Clement-Danes, in the County of Middleſex, Draper and Taylor, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners on the 25th Inſtant, and on the 5th of February, and 2d of March next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Diſcovery of his Eſtate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the firſt Sitting to chuſe Aſſignees, and at the laſt Sitting the ſaid Bankrupt is required to finiſh his Examination.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded againſt Samuel Lane, of Bradford, in the County of Wilts, Clothier, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners on the 24th Inſtant, and on the 5th of February, and 2d of March next, at Ten in the Forenoon, at the Houſe of John Aland, the Sign of the George in Bradford aforeſaid, and make a full Diſcovery of his Eſtate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the firſt Sitting to chuſe Aſſignees. All Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the ſame but to whom the Commiſſioners ſhall appoint.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded againſt Jeffery Whitaker, of Doncaſter, in the County of York, Corn-factor and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners on the 2d and 16th of February next, and on the 2d of March following, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Diſcovery of his Eſtate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the ſecond Sitting to chuſe Aſſignees, and at the laſt Sitting the ſaid Bankrupt is required to finiſh his Examination. All Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the ſame, but to whom the Commiſſioners ſhall appoint, but are required to give Notice thereof to Mr. Bicknell, at his Chambers, No 3. in Tanfield-Court, in the Inner Temple, London.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt Ralph Williamſon, of London, Corn-factor, intend to meet on the 16th of February next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate; when and where the Creditors that have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt Maurrice Barrow, of London, Merchant, intend to meet on the 6th of February next, at Four in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, and paid Contribution-Money, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt William Wilton, of the Pariſh of St. Mary le Bone, in the County of Middleſex, Plaiſterer, intend to meet on the 12th of February next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, and paid Contribution Money, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

WHereas the acting Commiſſioners in the Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt Benjamin Bawden, of the City of Exeter, Merchant, have certified to the Right Honourable Charles Lord Talbot, Baron of Henſol, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, that the ſaid Benjamin Bawden hath in all things conformed himſelf according to the Directions of the ſeveral Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts: This is to give Notice, that by Virtue of an Act paſſed in the Fifth Year of his preſent Majeſty's Reign, the ſaid Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the ſaid Act directs, unleſs Cauſe be ſhewn to the contrary on or before the 11th of February next.

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